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Lee et al.

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For:

Group Art Unit: 2818

Filed: November 26, 2003

FERROELECTRIC MEMORY DEVICES INCLUDING PROTECTION

ADHESION LAYERS AND METHODS OF FORMING THE SAME

April 11, 2005

Office of Patent Legal Administration Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

# THIRD PETITION TO ACCORD THE PROPER FILING DATE

Sir:

As set forth in 37 CFR § 1.10(c) and MPEP § 506.02, Applicant hereby petitions to grant the proper filing date of November 25, 2003 rather than November 26, 2003 for the above-identified patent application as this was the date the application was deposited as "Express Mail" in the U.S. Postal Service. The following is enclosed as evidence of November 25, 2003 being the correct filing date for the application, which was properly filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10:

- 1. A true and accurate copy of the Cover Sheet for the Application showing Express Mail Number EV 318417427 US associated with the Express Mail Package including the present Application and the date of Applicants' filing on Page 2 (Appendix A);
- 2. True and accurate copies of communications from United States Postal Service (USPS) showing (acceptance and pickup) of the Express Mail Package by the USPS on November 25, 2003 at 17:57 in Raleigh, North Carolina 27622 as suggested by the USPTO (Appendix B).
- A true and accurate copy of our return post card and of the official filing receipt for this application, sent by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, showing that Applicant was improperly given the filing date of November 26, 2003 instead of the Express Mail date of November 25, 2003 (Appendix C).

Similar petitions were filed on December 29, 2004, and February 3, 2005, wherein Applicants' requests for granting of the proper filing date were denied.

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As shown by the above evidence provided by the USPS, the Express Mail Package having Express Mail Number EV 318417427 US (including Applicants' Application) was accepted by the USPS on November 25, 2003. Furthermore, the Postcard evidences actual receipt of the Application by the USPTO on November 26, 2003. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that Applicants' Application be accorded the proper filing date of November 25, 2003, as the Application was properly filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on November 25, 2003.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully note that in Applicants' petition filed on February 3, 2005, Applicants provided evidence showing that the Application was received by the USPTO on November 26, 2003, and therefore, the Application was mailed no later than November 25, 2003. In denying the petition, the Office remarked that petitioners may not rely on the USPS track and confirm printout showing only the date of delivery (November 26, 2003) as evidence of the date of acceptance of the application: "The mere fact that the Application was delivered by the USPS on 26 November 2003 is not proof that the application papers were deposited with the USPS on 25 November 2003." Decision on Petition mailed March 11, 2005. In response, Applicants respectfully point out that the present Application was mailed from Raleigh, North Carolina on November 25, 2003, and delivered to the USPTO on November 26, 2003. Applicants respectfully submit that the evidence of Express Mailing from Raleigh, North Carolina and receipt by the USPTO on November 26, 2003, is sufficient evidence, by itself, to grant the petition for the corrected filing date of November 25, 2003 as same day delivery is not provided from Raleigh, North Carolina to the USPTO by Express Mail. The evidence shows that the Application could not have been received by the USPTO on November 26, 2003 if the Application were mailed from Raleigh, North Carolina after November 25, 2003. Therefore, the Application was mailed no later than November 25, 2003.

On the basis that Applicants properly followed the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.10 and the USPTO failed to accord the proper filing date under MPEP § 505 and thus the need to file this petition is due to error on the part of the USPTO, it is applicant's belief that no fee is due with this petition. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Appendix A

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Appendix B

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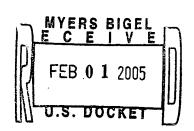


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Title

Ferroelectric memory devices including protection adhesion layers and methods of forming the same

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